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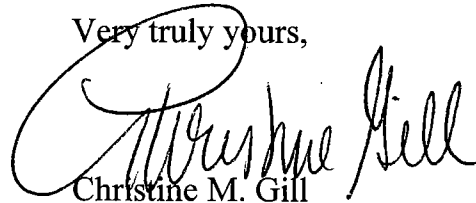
**Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Meeting; 800 MHz Public Safety Interference
Proceeding; WT Docket No. 02-55**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This is to notify you that, on January 27, 2004, Christine Gill and Kirk Burgee of McDermott, Will & Emery met with Ed Thomas, Julius P. Knapp and Michael J. Marcus to discuss the above-referenced proceeding on behalf of their client, Southern Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Southern LINC ("Southern"). At the meeting, Southern's representatives discussed Southern's position, as advanced in its December 23, 2003 *ex parte* filing in this matter.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, one copy of this *ex parte* notice is filed electronically for inclusion in the record of the above-referenced proceeding.

Very truly yours,



Christine M. Gill

cc: Ed Thomas
Julius P. Knapp
Michael J. Marcus